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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

I, Patricia Gribble, am a legal assistant employed in the offices of Christensen O'Connor Johnson Kindness^{PLLC}, 1420 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2800, Seattle, Washington 98101-2347, and make the following statements based on my personal knowledge:

1. On June 25, 2004, at the request of Donna Jo Coningsby, I caused to be transmitted, via U.S. first class mail, to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, a Response to the Office Action of February 26, 2004 with a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time in the above-referenced application.

2. On June 25, 2004, I placed the Response and Petition, together with a check for the \$110 fee for the one-month extension and a return receipt postcard, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents and deposited it with the U.S. Postal Service.

3. A copy of the postcard confirming receipt of the Response and Petition in the Patent Office on June 28, 2004 is attached to this Statement.

4. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the

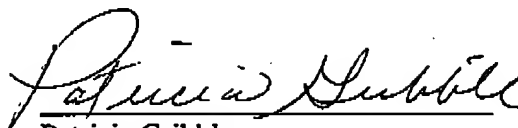
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United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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